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UN SECRETARIAT MAY 15 PROVIDED US WITH FOLLOWING
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON STATUS OF THE NEW CONTINGENTS:

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A. IRELAND - UNNY REQUESTS USG TO AIRLIFT
IRISH CONTINGENT. (UK HAS VOLUNTEERED TO AIRLIFT
FIJIAN CONTINGENT, THUS WOULD NOT BE IN POSITION TO
AIRLIFT IRISH, AS DISCUSSED REFTEL). SECRETARIAT
(LANSKY) WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH ISRAELI MISSION
FOR PERMISSION TO AIRLIFT TO TEL AVIV. IRISH HAVE
NO PROBLEM WITH LANDING IN TEL AVIV. ACCORDING TO UNNY

ADVANCE GROUP OF IRISH CONTINGENT, 191 MEN, WILL BE READY FOR AIRLIFT ON MAY 23; REMAINDER WILL BE PREPARED TO BE LIFTED ON JUNE 6. LANSKY HAS ASKED THAT JUNE 6 DATE BE ADVANCED TO LAST WEEK OF MAY; IRISH HAVE NOT REPLIED AS YET. DETAILS ON EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS WILL BE SENT TO UNNY LATER THIS WEEK.

B. FIJI - UK LAST WEEK MADE FIRM OFFER TO AIRLIFT FIJIAN CONTINGENT; UN ACCEPTED. AUSTRALIANS WERE STILL CONSIDERING BUT NEEDED SEVERAL MORE DAYS FOR CABINET REVIEW. JAPANESE POSED VARIOUS TECHNICAL QUESTIONS. THUS, DECISION WAS TAKEN BY UN TO PROCEED WITH UK. AUSTRALIANS AND UK HAVE BEEN PRESENTED BY LANSKY WITH EXTENSIVE FIJIAN EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS LIST. AUSTRALIANS INTEND TO PROVIDE BILATERALLY ON GRANT BASIS WHATEVER GOA MAY HAVE AVAILABLE. IN ADDITION LANSKY GAVE USUN EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS LIST WHICH SERGEANT BRUCE R. BRILL, USUN, IS HAND-CARRYING TO STATE/DOD ON MAY 16.

C. IRAN - FULL CONTINGENT SCHEDULED TO PROCEED TO LEBANON ON MAY 20. AIRLIFT DESTINATION IS BEIRUT. IRANIANS ARE AIRLIFTING PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT; UNNY WILL PROBABLY TURN TO USG SHOULD NEED ARISE TO ASSIST IN AIRLIFTING EIGHT IRANIAN APC'S.

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D. NIGERIA - NIGERIAN CONTINGENT IS NEARLY UP TO FULL STRENGTH; 551 HAVE ARRIVED IN LEBANON. REMAINING TROOPS TO ARRIVE ON MAY 18. MCHENRY

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